

Daily Dose of Verbal Ability-02-07-2019

Vocabulary

Aloof (adj):

Someone who is aloof is not very friendly and does not like to spend time with other people = distant, apart; reserved

He has always kept himself aloof from the boys in his class

Animated (adj):

Someone who is animated or who is having an animated conversation is lively and is showing their feelings = lively

The performance was followed by an animated discussion

Azure (adj):

Azure is used to describe things that are bright blue

Azure skies are indicative of good climate.

Belligerent (adj):

A belligerent person is hostile and aggressive = quarrelsome

He is always very belligerent towards her.

Bereft (adj):

If a person or thing is bereft of something, they no longer have it
= lacking, deprived of

The shock of his departure had left her feeling alone and bereft

Commodious (adj):

A commodious room or house is large and has a lot of space

The car was quite commodious to seat Five persons

Dappled (adj):

You use dappled to describe something that has dark or light patches on it, or that is made up of patches of light and shade = spotted

The floor was dappled with pale moonlight

Crotchety (adj):

A crotchety person is bad-tempered and easily irritated = bad-tempered

By the time he returned hotel, he was tired and crotchety

Disconcerted (adj):

If you are disconcerted, you feel anxious, confused, or embarrassed = upset

Her angry reply disconcerted me completely

Eerie (adj):

If you describe something as eerie, you mean that it seems strange and frightening, and makes you feel nervous = weird

I walked down the eerie dark path

One Word Substitutions

1. One who does not follow the usual way of life –**Bohemian**
2. The first public speech delivered by a person –**Maiden speech**
3. Wild and noisy disorder –**Pandemonium**
4. General view of person's character –**Profile**
5. A person who is in his seventies –**Septuagenarian**
6. Study of insects –**Entomology**
7. Military waking up signals in the morning –**Reveille**
8. The sound of the funeral bell –**Knell**
9. One who has obstinate and narrow religious views –**Bigot**
10. One who loves books –**Bibliophile**



Root Words

<u>ROOT</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>EXAMPLES</u>
aster	star	astronomy study of the stars asterisk starlike type character (*)
		disaster catastrophe (contrary star)
aud, audit	to hear	audible able to be heard auditorium place where people may be heard
		audience hearers
auto	self	autocracy rule by one person (self) automobile vehicle that moves by itself
		autobiography story of one's own life
belli	war	bellicose inclined to fight belligerent inclined to wage war
		rebellious resisting authority